

Chevy Chase Village
Permitting and Code Enforcement Activity December 2010

In addition to new permits issued the following activity occurred during the month of December:

Queries:

We received approximately 70 calls from residents or contractors requesting information regarding:

- what work requires a permit and what types of permits were required.
- assistance with the permitting process.
- assistance with variance applications.

Walk-Ins:

We had approximately 34 people walk-in for assistance with building permits. This included questions about the permitting process, requests for applications, requests for plats, review of applications, approval for work as stipulated by Board decisions, and issuance of permits.

Enforcement Issues:

Calls from residents, Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services or routine patrols triggered the following enforcement issues:

- ice on sidewalks.
- unscreened Porta-John (1 instance).
- work constructed did not comply with permit drawings.
- unpermitted work.

Each of these issues initiated visits to the address and/or follow up procedures by staff intended to assist residents or their contractors bring their project into compliance.

Tree Related Activity:

In addition to tree protection measures required by the Village permitting process, we received 12 requests for tree related information including:

- questions regarding regulations related to future construction projects.
- tree inspections for trees in the right of way.
- tree removal requests.
- tree inspections on private property.
- concerns regarding trees and wires.
- unauthorized tree removal.
- questions about planting in the right of way.

Municipality Letters:

We issued six (6) Municipality Letters in the month of December.

License to Use the Right-of-Way:

Following new Board procedure, there were two reviews of licenses to use the right-of-way at the December Board meeting, both of which were approved:

- 5500 Montgomery Street: To install a walkway from the stoop to the curb.
- 7 West Kirke Street: To install an irrigation system and electronic pet containment fence.

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